

RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

JAN 17 2006

FROMMER LAWRENCE & HAUG LLP

745 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10151
Telephone: (212) 588-0800
Facsimile: (212) 588-0500
E-mail: Firm@flhlaw.com

FACSIMILE COVER LETTER

To: Commissioner for Patents
Examiner Marc, McDieunel

Firm: U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Art Unit 3661

Facsimile: (571) 273-8300

From: Thomas F. Presson

Date: January 17, 2006

Re: FLH Ref No.: 450101-02997.1
Serial No: 10/616,249

Number of Pages: 10
(including cover page)

If you do not receive all pages or are unable to read the transmission, please call (212) 588-0800.

CONFIDENTIALITY NOTICE

The documents accompanying this transmission contain confidential information intended for a specific individual and purpose. The information is private, and is legally protected by law. If you are not the intended recipient, you are hereby notified that any disclosure, copying, distribution, or the taking of any action in reliance on the contents of this facsimile is strictly prohibited.

0030X 907

PATENT
450101-02997.1IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICERECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

JAN 17 2006

Applicants : Tsunetaro Matsuoka, et al.
 Serial No. : 10/616,249
 Filed : July 9, 2003
 For : AUTOMATIC APPARATUS, INFORMATION SERVER, ROBOTIC
 APPARATUS AND COMMERCIAL TRANSACTION METHOD
 FOR PERFORMING AN ACTION BASED ON INFORMATION (AS
 AMENDED)
 Examiner : Marc, McDicuncel
 Art Unit : 3661

745 Fifth Avenue
 New York, NY 10151
 Tel: 212-588-0800

Commissioner for Patents
 P.O. Box 1450
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ No additional fee is required.
☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below.
☐ This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(i), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

Claims as Amended

(1)	(2) Claims remaining after amendment	(3)	(4) Highest number previously paid for	(5) Present extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee
Total claims	9	Minus	** = 61	* 0 x	\$50 (25)	= \$ 0
Independent claims	2	Minus	*** = 9	* 0 x	\$200 (100)	= \$ 0
Total additional fee for this amendment						\$ 0

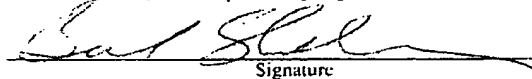
- * If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.
 ** If the highest number of total claims previously paid for is less than 20, write "20" in this space.
 *** If the highest number of independent claims previously paid for is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

- ☐ This application contains a multiple dependent claim. The required fee of \$300 (150) has been previously paid ☐, or is paid herewith ☐.
- ☐ This response is being filed within the ___ month following the expiration of the term originally set therefor. This is a petition to request a ___ month extension of time. A check covering the cost of the petition is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$___ is attached, which covers the cost of ☐ additional claims x petition for extension of time.
- ☐ Charge \$___ to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.
- ☒ Please charge any additional fees incurred by reason of this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being transmitted via
 facsimile to (571) 273-8300 on January 17, 2006.

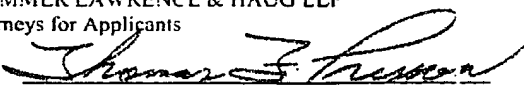
Barnet Shindlman
 (Name of person signing transmittal)


 Signature

January 17, 2006
 Date of Signature

Respectfully submitted,

FROMMER LAWRENCE & HAUG LLP
 Attorneys for Applicants

By: 
 Thomas F. Presson
 Reg. No. 41,442

00337670

U.S. Appln. No. 10/616,249
Reply to Office Action dated October 18, 2005

PATENT
450101-02997.1

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Tsunetaro Matsuoka, et al.
Serial No. : 10/616,249
For : AUTOMATIC APPARATUS, INFORMATION
SERVER, ROBOTIC APPARATUS AND
COMMERCIAL TRANSACTION METHOD FOR
PERFORMING AN ACTION BASED ON
INFORMATION (AS AMENDED)
Filed : July 9, 2003
Examiner : Marc, McDieunel
Art Unit : 3661
Confirmation No. : 9487

RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

JAN 17 2006

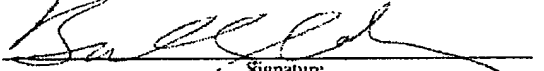
745 Fifth Avenue
New York, NY 10151
(212) 588-0800

CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being transmitted via
facsimile to (571) 273-8300 on January 17, 2006.

Barnet Shindlman

(Name of person signing transmittal)


Signature
January 17, 2006
Date of Signature

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.121

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed October 18, 2005, having a
three-month statutory period for response set to expire on January 18, 2006, please amend the
above-captioned application as follows.

U.S. Appln. No. 10/616,249
Reply to Office Action dated October 18, 2005

PATENT
450101-0299'1

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.